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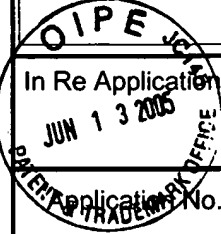
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1. European Patent Publication No. EP 1 172 811 A2, dated January 16, 2002;
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3. United States Patent No. 5,789,055, issued to Yoon, dated August 4, 1998; and
4. United States Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0146643 A1, to Shingai et al., dated October 10, 2002.

The references were cited in a Search Report dated April 5, 2005 received from the European Patent Office. Applicant is submitting copies of reference numbers 1 and 2, together with a copy of the Search Report. In accordance with the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) in effect as of June 30, 2003, applicant is not required to submit copies of the above-cited U.S. Patent references. The relevance of the above-identified references has been described in the Search Report.

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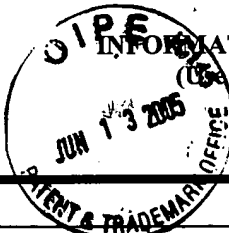
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